REMARKS

This Amendment is intended to be fully responsive to the Final Action mailed December 19, 2003. The Examiner is thanked for the courtesies extended during the personal interview conducted on March 23, 2004.

Claims 1-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for indefinite claim language. The claims have been reviewed and amended to correct the issues noted by the Examiner to comply with the requirement of 35 U.S.C. §112. Claims 5-12 have been canceled. No new matter has been entered.

Claims 1-8 and 10-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kimura et al. (USP 4,730,414) in view of Tenbrink et al. '663. Claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kimura et al. '414 in view of Tenbrink et al. '663 and Marsholl et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed in view of the above amendments and the following comments.

During the personal interview on March 23, 2004, Applicant discussed the integral arrangement of the mounting structure (2), which includes the guides (6, 7) and the interconnecting legs or braces extending therebetween. Indeed, the guides and the interconnecting web in stamped from a single homogeneously formed member. This arrangement is not found in the prior art. In an effort to expedite prosecution, Application has further recited that the interconnecting web includes braces or interconnecting legs that following the crisscross path of the cable system (8).

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In view of the above amendment, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims define the invention over the prior art of record and notice to that affect is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner believe further discussion regarding the above claim language would expedite prosecution, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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